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DATE: 14 April 1953

TO : Chief, NSA

FROM : Chief, NEC

SUBJECT: GENERAL Operational/INTELL

SPECIFIC DOCUMENT MICROFILM SERVICE
1. Meeting Between ex-Grand Mufti and ABD AL NASR
to Discuss Palestinian Spy Case

2. George MANSUR

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1. On 2 April 1953, [] received the following information from Emile Al-GHURI of the Arab High Committee:

During his last meeting with Lt. Col. Gamal 'ABD AL-NASR, the ex-Grand Mufti stated that during 1950 he had sent reports concerning Israel to the Egyptian Government. Among these reports was one concerning the activities of Kazem BASSISSO, recently sentenced by the Egyptians as an Israeli spy in the Gaza district, and Muhammad Hibr al-HARARI or HAWARI. Both were involved in Communist activity in Gaza and in Lebanon and were suspected of being in contact with the Israelis. According to the Mufti, the Egyptian authorities paid no attention to these reports, and although the incoming documents' register shows that they were received at the Frontier Forces Administration, no copies were found in the files.

Copies of these reports on file at the Mufti's office were shown to 'ABD AL NABR, possibly to absolve the Arab High Committee, in particular, and the Palestinians, in general, of any blame which might be attached to them by the Egyptian authorities for the espionage and Communist activity of BASSISSO and other Palestinians.

2. On 5 April, [] met George MANSUR, a Palestinian and former secretary of the Laborers' Committee in Palestine, who is now heading a firm for the distribution of films in Cairo. The Egyptian Directory for 1952 lists a Georges MANSOUR of Middle East Motion Pictures Co., 173 Fuad I, Zamalek.

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[] who states that MANSUR is a Communist, says that he gathered from MANSUR's conversation, that MANSUR is in touch with the Soviet Legation and was instructed to approach the Egyptian newspapers concerning Russian-Arab friendship immediately following the rupture of Russian-Israeli relations. [] further learned from ASSAD, the Mufti's chauffeur, that MANSUR often visits the Mufti. /ODR-1048. /

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